



CLR G Grade Exams

Sunday 1st June 2025

Venue: Základní škola Kunratice, Předškolní 420/5, 148 00 Praha 4

Examiner: Pauline Shaw B.G.C.R.G.

Time slots will be allocated upon receipt of entries **Final**

Closing date for entries: Sunday 4th May 2025

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Rules and Regulations for Grade Examinations

1. Candidates must be associated with a currently registered CLRG teacher.
2. All 12 grade examinations must be completed for a candidate to be eligible to apply to take the T.C.R.G. examination.
3. Grade examiners of choice may be used for Grades 1-6, with a minimum of 2 different examiners to be used through these grades.
4. Grade exams must be examined by at least 4 different examiners for grades 1- 10.
5. Each grade must be passed before a candidate may attempt the next grade.
6. Candidates must produce previous grade exam reports before proceeding to take the next grade.
Reports must be presented at the examination.
7. A candidate must take all grades in order, beginning with Grade 1 (the Preliminary grade is optional).
8. A candidate may only attempt three consecutive grades at any one exam.
9. A three-month period must elapse before the next grade is attempted, e.g. if a grade exam is taken on 30th June, the next grade(s) cannot be taken before 30th September of the same year.
10. A candidate undergoing a six-month restyling period may take a grade examination.
11. A certificate is awarded for each grade. Grade examinations are unlike competitions in that each candidate performs the dances individually and receives a detailed written assessment.
12. Candidates must be able to adequately demonstrate practical and theoretical knowledge of all céilí dances as per Ár Rincí Céilí as specified in the syllabus for Grades 5 -12.
13. Dance costumes must not be worn.
14. Only basic steps may be danced in the preliminary grade and grades 1, 2 and 3.
15. St. Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Garden of Daisies, Job of Journeywork, King of the Fairies, Three Sea Captains, and Jockey to the Fair must be performed in a traditional style and manner.
16. 40 bars of music must be danced for all Reels, Single or Hop Jigs, Light Jigs, Slip Jigs, Heavy Jigs and Hornpipes.
17. Music speeds on the syllabus as per CLRG rules.
18. All modern set dances in grades 9-12 must not be repeated in any of these grades.

Grades and Required Dances
(**Céili dances are underlined, in bold and italics**)

Grád/Grade	Rincí/Dances	Luas/Speed
Prelim	Ril Éasca nó Port Eadrom Easy Reel or Light Jig	Easy Reel 122-124 Light Jig 118
1	Bun Ril agus Bun Port Eadrom Easy Reel and Light Jig Scrúdú Béil Gaeilge (Éire)	Easy Reel 122-124 Light Jig 118 Oral Irish (Ireland)
2	Bun Port Luascach agus Bun Port Singil Easy Slip Jig and Easy Single Jig Scrúdú Béil Gaeilge (Éire)	Basic Slip Jig 124 Basic Single Jig 124 Oral Irish (Ireland)
3	Tús Ril agus Bun Port Trom Primary Reel and Basic Heavy Jig Scrúdú Béil Gaeilge (Éire)	Primary Reel 118-118 Basic Heavy Jig 98 Oral Irish (Ireland)
4	Tús Port Luascach agus Lá Féile Phádraig Primary Slip Jig and St. Patrick's Day (Traditional) Scrúdú Béil Gaeilge (Éire)	Primary Slip Jig 120 St. Patrick's Day (trad) 94 Oral Irish (Ireland)
5	Ril Cruaidh, (Méan/ Primary/Ard) Bun Comphiopa agus <u><i>Balla Luinní</i></u> Advanced Reel (Intermediate/ Primary/Open). Basic (Trad) Hornpipe. Scrúdú Béil Gaeilge (Éire) <u><i>and Walls of Limerick</i></u>	Advanced Reel 113 (Intermediate/Primary/Open) Basic Hornpipe 144 Oral Irish (Ireland) <u><i>Walls of Limerick</i></u>
6	Port Luascach Cruaidh (Méan/ Primary/Ard) An Londubh agus <u><i>Ionas na hInse</i></u> Advanced Slip Jig (Intermediate/Primary/Open) Blackbird (Traditional) Scrúdú Béil Gaeilge (Éire) <u><i>and Siege of Ennis</i></u>	Advanced Slip Jig 113 (Intermediate/Primary/Open) The Blackbird (trad) 144 Oral Irish (Ireland) <u><i>Siege of Ennis</i></u>
7	Port Trom Cruaidh, Gairdíní na Nóníní agus <u><i>An Ril Ceathair</i></u> Advanced Heavy Jig, Garden of Daisies (Traditional) <u><i>and Four Hand Reel</i></u>	Advanced Heavy Jig 73 Garden of Daisies (trad) 138 <u><i>Four Hand Reel</i></u>
8	Comphiopa Cruaidh, Greas Giúrnála agus <u><i>Piearsacha na Bandoín</i></u> Advanced Hornpipe, Job of Journeywork (Traditional) <u><i>and Humours of Bandon</i></u>	Advanced Hornpipe 113 Job of Journeywork (trad) 138 <u><i>Humours of Bandon</i></u>
9	Dhá rince Leithleach, ceann acu in am 8/8 agus an ceann eile in am 2/4 nó 4/4 (Nach Rincí traidisiúnta iad) agus <u><i>Cap an Chúil Aird</i></u>	Two modern sets, one in 8/8 time and the other in 2/4 or 4/4 time <u><i>High Cauled Cap</i></u>
10	Dhá rince Leithleach, ceann acu in am 8/8 agus an ceann eile in am 2/4 nó 4/4 (nach rincí traidisiúnta iad) (<u><i>éagsúil ó iad i nGrád 9</i></u>) agus <u><i>an Port Ochtair</i></u> .	Two modern set dances, one in 8/8 time and the other in 2/4 or 4/4 time (different from those in Grade 9) <u><i>The Eight Hand Jig</i></u>
11	Ril Cruaidh, Port Luascach Cruaidh, Port Trom Cruaidh. Rí na Slog, móide dhá rince leith-leacha nua a roghnóidh an scrúdaitheoir as liosta cúig rince a sholáthróidh an iarrthóir (<u><i>éagsúil ó iad i nGrád 9 & 10</i></u>) agus <u><i>An Cor Octair</i></u> agus Port an Fhómhair. All of the above, plus two modern set dances selected by the examiner from a list of 5 submitted by the candidate (different from those in Grades 9 and 10)	Advanced Reel 113 Advanced Slip Jig 113 Advanced Heavy Jig 73 King of the Fairies (trad) 130 <u><i>The Eight-Hand Reel and Harvest Time Jig</i></u>
12	Port Eadrom, Port Singil, Comphiopa Cruaidh, Tríúr Captaen Mara, An Marcach Chuig an Áonach, móide dha rince leithleach nua a roghnóidh an scrúdaitheoir as liosta cúig rince a soláth-Róidh an iarrthóir (<u><i>éagsúil ó iad i nGrádanna 9, 10 and 11</i></u>) agus <u><i>Cor Muirghéis</i></u> agus <u><i>Cor Sé Dhuine Dhéag</i></u> . All of the above, plus two modern set dances selected by the examiner from a list of five submitted by the candidate (different from those in Grades 9, 10 and 11)	Light Jig 118 Single Jig 124 Advanced Hornpipe 113 Three Sea Captains(trad) 98 Jockey to the Fair (trad) 90 <u><i>The Morris Reel and The Sixteen Hand Reel</i></u>

Fees and Entry Form

Fees

Preliminary Grade: 10€

Grades 1-3: 18€

Grades 4-6: 25€

Grades 7-10: 35€

Payments to be made ON THE DAY OF THE EXAM

Entry Form

To entry the Grade exams please fill out the entry form -

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/IFAIpQLSeqdRnlEYIJVtaXpGKc0N6ZYnclwU3LKLdC24RbN2Y5Okn8RQ/viewform?usp=sharing>